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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby submits the attached Form PTO-1449 listing

additional references which the Patent Examiner is requested to consider and make of record in the above-identified application. Copies of each of the listed references are enclosed herewith. This submission is believed to be in full compliance with the requirements of 37 CFR §§1.97 and 1.98.

Applicants believe that no fee is required for the submission of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, in conjunction with the Request for Continued Examination filed concurrently herewith, in view of 37 C.F.R. §1.97 (b) (4). In the event a fee is required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the required fees to deposit account no. 04-1406 of the undersigned attorneys. A duplicate copy of this sheet is included for fee processing.

In the opinion of the undersigned, the references submitted herewith, together with those previously submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement filed August 29, 2002, are the most pertinent of which the undersigned is aware. However, no representation is made or intended that more pertinent references do not exist.

This submission is not an admission that the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 constitute prior art against the claims of this application.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to confirm receipt and consideration of the cited references by initialing and returning a copy of the attached Form PTO-1449 in accordance with MPEP §609.

Early and favorable consideration of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,
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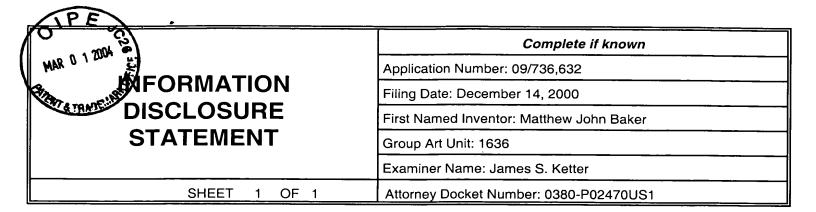
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